

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1-4 (Canceled)

5. (Previously presented) A method of synchronizing audio and video recordings comprising:

inserting real time data elements into audio and video recordings during recording procedures;

analyzing said real time data elements of said audio and video recordings during reproduction;

comparing said real time data elements of said audio and video recordings; and,  
synchronously reproducing said audio and video recordings as a function of said real time data elements; wherein said real time data elements comprise real time components comprising information pertaining to location and time of a recording.

6. (Previously presented) The method as recited in Claim 5 wherein said information pertaining to time of a recording comprises year, month, date, hour, minute, second, and millisecond units.

7. (Previously presented) The method as recited in Claim 5 wherein said information pertaining to location of a recording comprises a country code.

8. (Previously presented) The method as recited in Claim 5 wherein said real time data elements comprise an extension portion modifiable by an operator.

9. (Previously presented) The method as recited in Claim 5 wherein the synchronization of said audio and video recordings is independent with respect to location of said recording.

10. (Previously presented) The method as recited in Claim 5 wherein the synchronization of said audio and video recordings is independent with respect to recording device.
11. (Previously presented) The method as recited in Claim 5 wherein the synchronization of said audio and video recordings is independent with respect to recording medium.
12. (Previously presented) The method as recited in Claim 2 wherein said recording device comprises a magnetic tape.
13. (Previously presented) The method as recited in Claim 2 wherein said recording device comprises a magnetic disk.
14. (Previously presented) The method as recited in Claim 2 wherein said recording device comprises an optical disk.
15. (Previously presented) The method as recited in Claim 2 wherein said recording device comprises a film tape.
16. (Previously presented) The method as recited in Claim 2 wherein said recording device comprises a memory chip.
17. (New) The method as recited in Claim 5 adapted to synchronize two or more audio recordings.
18. (New) The method as recited in Claim 5 adapted to synchronize two or more video recordings.
19. (New) The method as recited in Claim 5 adapted to synchronize at least one audio recording with at least one video recording.